

Battle Mountain

Western Hospitality at its Best

Chairman Julius Genachowski
Commissioner Michael J. Copps
Commissioner Robert M. McDowell
Commissioner Mignon Clyburn

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Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20544
Re: WT Docket 11-65

Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

The Battle Mountain Chamber of Commerce in north central Nevada supports the AT&T and T-Mobile proposed merger committing to bring the latest 4G LTE mobile technology to our rural community. Our small town is expanding its business opportunities making initiatives like this not only desirable for current operations, but for future growth as well.

Battle Mountain has a long history in copper and gold mining as well as agriculture and livestock. It is home to an exceptional airport and Five-Star quality Battle Mountain General Hospital which is beginning new strategic planning for the future to assure it meets the healthcare needs of our area. Our local dynamic set of businesses will greatly benefit from a solid technological infrastructure with high-speed mobile access to applications and real-time information that urban areas already receive. To be able to make quicker, more-informed business decisions, have cost savings and allowing businesses to plan for the future with new operational models will only bring success to our economy and lifestyle.

We are a growing area in a rural part of Nevada looking for new businesses to locate and to have our current businesses flourish. We must continue to support private company investments that will assist us in growing our local economy, and this merger supports our chamber goals in achieving that success. We ask for your support of the AT&T and T-Mobile merger so that we can see these efficiencies and opportunities available for our businesses, residents and future prospects

Sincerely,

Sarah A. Burkett

